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ORDINANCE ____

AN ORDINANCE relating to restoration and protection of Seattle's creeks, establishing pesticide reduction requirements.

WHEREAS, the City has established a goal in the Seattle Comprehensive Plan to work toward eliminating the use of pesticides, fungicides and herbicides on City owned property and rights-of-way near creeks; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Pesticide Reduction Requirements.

A. The City shall develop a plan to phase out the usage of pesticides, herbicides and fungicides on City-owned property and rights-of-way within 200 feet of all creeks, and shall incorporate this plan into the Long-term Creek Restoration Plan.

B. With the exception of City-owned golf courses, pesticide, herbicide and fungicide use on City-owned property and rights-of-way within 200 feet of all creeks shall be phased out within 18 months from Council adoption of the Long-term Creek Restoration Plan. For City-owned golf courses, pesticide, fungicide, and herbicide use shall be reduced by 40% within four years of Council adoption of the Long-term Creek Restoration Plan. At the end of the four-year period, the City shall adopt a new reduction target that further reduces pesticide, fungicide and herbicide use on City owned golf courses.

C. Use of pesticides, herbicides, and fungicides may be granted for public health emergencies, as declared by the Seattle-King County Health Department. Any (emergency?) use of pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, or insecticides must be part of an authorized Integrated Pest Management approach and authorized by the Department of Ecology.

Section 2. Effective Date

04/20/04 Creek Implementing Regulations v.1.doc (Ver. .1) This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten (10) days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Municipal Code Section 1.04.020. Passed by the City Council the _____ day of ______, 20___, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this _____ day of _____, 20__. President of the City Council Approved by me this _____ day of _______, 20___. Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 20__. City Clerk (Seal)

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